



# TOWN OF PARADISE

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June 20, 2019

MUCKROCK

RE: Your Public Records Request #71964-13128023, received June 15, 2019

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to you concerning your request for public records that was received on June 15, 2019. The request is for a voluminous amount of Town of Paradise public records. A copy of your request is attached.

Based on the very large volume of public records in your request relating to separate and distinct Town records, the time limit within which to provide the requested public records is being extended by an additional 14 days in accordance with Government Code Section 6253(c).

As such, the Town's response will be due on July 9, 2019.

Sincerely,

LAUREN GILL  
Town Manager

cc: Dwight L. Moore, Town Attorney  
Marc Mattox, Assistant Town Manager

## Volenski, Dina

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**From:** 71964-13128023@requests.muckrock.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 15, 2019 9:28 AM  
**To:** Volenski, Dina  
**Cc:** Hartman, Susan; Will, Gina; Borgman, Anthony; Reinbold, Eric; Peters, Crystal; Smith, Ursula; Mattox, Marc; mooredl@earthlink.net; Gill, Lauren  
**Subject:** RE: California Public Records Act Request: PRA Requests and Responses (2018 Camp Fire)

Town Of Paradise  
PRA Office  
Town Hall  
5555 Skyway  
Paradise, CA 95969

June 15, 2019

This is a follow up to a previous request:

**\*\* Every response you send or provide (including all responsive records) may be automatically and immediately visible on the MuckRock.com web service used to issue this request. \*\***

This is a follow-up to the Town. The Town previously published a responsive record entitled 'Gill Texts20110818-111318.pdf' which appears to contain records of the Council and senior staff communicating via a group instant message/text system. A question: Given that there appears to be a majority of the council on these texts, are such messages not routinely posted to the Town's website as council communications?

However, I understand under the CPRA, you are not required to answer questions, therefore I have a follow-up request:

1. the full record of group instant/text messages from Nov 8, 2018 to present date where any of the following are true: at least 3 of the Council members are present simultaneously OR in sequence; OR at least 2 of the Council members and at least 1 of {Town Clerk, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Asst. Town Manager, any Butte Co. Supervisor, Butte Co. Clerk} are present simultaneously OR in sequence (minus any purely personal information/phone numbers/etc.). Please note the messages are responsive whether or not they fall into the definition of serial meetings per the Brown Act (ex. [https://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/Member-Engagement/Professional-Departments/City-Attorneys/Library/2016/Annual-2016/10-2016-Annual\\_Carney\\_Sanchez\\_Avoiding-the-Perils.aspx](https://www.cacities.org/Resources-Documents/Member-Engagement/Professional-Departments/City-Attorneys/Library/2016/Annual-2016/10-2016-Annual_Carney_Sanchez_Avoiding-the-Perils.aspx) ).
2. records of any instrument used by the Town to inquire of your Council, Clerk, Manager, Attorney, and Asst. Manager for the production/existence of the records in #1, and their responses. If you refuse to provide #2 because such records would not exist until after you receive this request, we will file a further follow-up on a later date.

I would prefer the request fulfilled electronically, if possible. PDFs are preferred.

Please consider your obligations under City of San Jose v. Superior Court (Smith), S218066 to search personal accounts/devices storing public records -- which we do explicitly request.

Please send only those records available without any fees - since we have asked for electronic copies, we expect all will be available without fees. Nevertheless, for any records for which you would charge fees, instead of copies, please provide us the (free) statutorily-mandated CPRA determination of what records exist, so we may inspect them in person if we so choose to do so, and notify us of the expected costs if we wished to move forward with copies.

Please provide responsive records on a rolling basis as you approve/redact them for disclosure.

Please cite statutory authority for any records withheld in whole or in part.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Anonymous Person

Filed via MuckRock.com

E-mail (Preferred): 71964-13128023@requests.muckrock.com

Upload documents directly:

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For mailed responses, please address (see note):

MuckRock News

DEPT MR 71964

411A Highland Ave

Somerville, MA 02144-2516

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On June 14, 2019:

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: PRA Requests and Responses (2018 Camp Fire)

Thanks a lot, Ms. Volenski for your thoroughness, and for putting all the records directly on MuckRock.

In addition to the document, is there any more information from the Town re: withholding/exempting records, and justification?

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On June 14, 2019:

Subject:

There is one more document that will be forthcoming, but will not be available until next week.

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On June 6, 2019:

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: PRA Requests and Responses (2018 Camp Fire)

(Moreover, you are welcome to convert the remaining records to PDF if it will make your redaction processing easier.)

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On June 6, 2019:

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: PRA Requests and Responses (2018 Camp Fire)

Thank you very much for your continued assistance.

For any remaining records, you may provide just PDFs without associated emails if that is easier for you.

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On June 6, 2019:

Subject:

I am the only one working on the request and am continuing to put the information together. Additional files will continue to be compiled .

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On April 18, 2019:

Subject: California Public Records Act Request: PRA Requests and Responses

Please see the attached letter pursuant to the California Public Records Act.

Filed via MuckRock.com

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